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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Genaro "Jerry" Morales Sr. of Joliet, who passed away on August 1, 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Genaro Morales was born in Corpus Christi, Texas to Felipe Morales Sr. and Viviana Guerrero on October 5, 1942; he served in the U.S. Air Force; and

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WHEREAS, Genaro Morales was employed by the Gulf, Mobile, Ohio, Illinois Central Gulf, and Metra railroads; he retired from the railroad industry after 33 years of service; he served as chairman of Local 6324 and vice-president/treasurer of the Transportation Communication Union; and

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WHEREAS, Genaro Morales was one of the founders of the MAC baseball program, now known as the Spanish Community Center baseball/softball program; he enjoyed coaching baseball for kids ages 5-13 and teaching them respect, discipline, and teamwork; he also enjoyed spending time with his family and attending to his rose garden; and

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WHEREAS, Genaro Morales received the Reverend James E. Allen Award for Service to the Community and a Certificate of Recognition by the Spanish Community Center for his dedication

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1 to its baseball and softball organization; and

2 WHEREAS, Genaro Morales was preceded in death by his infant
3 daughter, Maricela Morales; his parents; his infant sister,
4 Martina Morales; his oldest sister, Rosa Nava; his youngest
5 brother, Alejandro Morales; and his brother-in-law, Henry
6 Cavazos; and

7 WHEREAS, Genaro Morales is survived by his wife of 50
8 years, Sandra (Acosta) Morales; his children, Yolanda (David)
9 Sportiello, Alma (Kevin) Klein, and Genaro (Candice Stube)
10 Morales Jr.; his grandchildren, Joshua, Gabriela, Marcelina,
11 and Alec Sportiello, Jeremy and Raquel Klein, and Maricela,
12 Ariana, and Genaro III Morales; his great-grandchild, Addalyn;
13 his siblings, Pedro (Mary Lou) Morales, Felipe (Guadalupe)
14 Morales Jr., Guadalupe Cavazos, and Ernestina Eplin; and
15 several nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
18 Genaro "Jerry" Morales Sr., and extend our sincere condolences
19 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
20 it further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
22 presented to the family of Genaro Morales as an expression of

1 our deepest sympathy.